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HISTORICAL FICTION

- Alias Grace**
Margaret Atwood, 1996
- All the Light We Cannot See**
Anthony Doerr, 2014
- Beheld**
Tara Shea Nesbit, 2020
- Beneath a Scarlet Sky**
Mark Sullivan, 2017
- The Children's Blizzard**
Melanie Benjamin, 2021
- The Clockmaker's Daughter**
Kate Morton, 2018
- The Dovekeepers**
Alice Hoffman, 2011
- The Forest Lover**
Susan Vreeland, 2004
- The Four Winds**
Kristin Hannah, 2021
- A Gentleman in Moscow**
Amor Towles, 2016
- Hamnet**
Maggie O'Farrell, 2020
- The Innocents**
Michael Crummey, 2019
- The Last Days of Night**
Graham Moore, 2016
- The Last Green Valley**
Mark Sullivan, 2021
- The Nightingale**
Kristin Hannah, 2015
- The Paris Library**
Janet S. Charles, 2021
- Winter Garden**
Kristin Hannah, 2010
- Year of Wonders**
Geraldine Brooks, 2001

ROMANCE

- The Fifth Avenue Story Society**
Rachel Hauck, 2020
- Possession**
A.S. Bryant, 1990
- Red, White & Royal Blue**
Casey McQuiston, 2019
- The Time Traveler's Wife**
Audrey Niffenegger, 2003

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– Sidney Sheldon

BIOGRAPHY & MEMOIR

- American Bloomsbury**
Susan Cheever, 2003
- Born a Crime**
Trevor Noah, 2016
- Consent : A Memoir**
Vanessa Springora, 2021
- The Diary of a Young Girl**
Anne Frank, 1947
- Don't Sing at the Table**
Adriana Trigiani, 2010
- Elizabeth & Margaret**
Andrew Morton, 2021
- The Happiest Man on Earth**
Eddie Jaku, 2021
- Hidden Figures**
Margot Lee Shetterly, 2016
- My Twenty-Five Years in Provence**
Peter Mayle, 2018
- The Sun Does Shine**
Anthony Ray Hinton, 2018
- Too Much and Never Enough**
Mary L. Trump, 2020
- Untamed**
Glennon Doyle, 2020
- When Breath Becomes Air**
Paul Kalanithi, 2016
- Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?**
Jeanette Winterson, 2012



CLASSICS

- American Bloomsbury**
Susan Cheever, 2003
- Gone With the Wind**
Margaret Mitchell, 1936
- The Great Gatsby**
F. Scott Fitzgerald, 1925
- Rebecca**
Daphne du Maurier, 1938
- To Kill a Mockingbird**
Harper Lee, 1960

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– Louis L'Amour

GRAPHIC NOVELS

- Fruits Basket**
Natsuki Takaya, 1998
- The Sandman**
Neil Gaiman, 2010

SHORT STORIES

- The Bloody Chamber**
Angela Carter, 1979
- A Few of the Girls**
Maeve Binchy, 2015
- A Wild Swan & Other Tales**
Michael Cunningham, 2015

BOOKS FOR KIDS (& KIDS AT HEART)

- Anne of Green Gables series**
L.M. Montgomery, 1908
- The City of Ember**
Jeanne DuPrau, 2003
- Harbor Me**
Jacqueline Woodson, 2020
- My Survival: A Girl on Schindler's List**
Rena Finder, 2020
- A Swiftly Tilting Planet**
Madeleine L'Engle, 1978
- Where the Sidewalk Ends**
Shel Silverstein, 1974
- Yellow Star**
Jennifer Roy, 2006

BOOKS FOR TWEENS & TEENS



- Bloody Jack**
L.A. Meyer, 2002
- The Book Thief**
Marcus Zusak, 2006
- Daughter of Smoke & Bone**
Laini Taylor, 2011
- Deeplight**
Frances Hardinge, 2020
- Five Total Strangers**
Natalie Richards, 2020
- The Gentlemen's Guide to Vice & Virtue**
Mackenzi Lee, 2017
- Good Omens**
Neil Gaiman & Terry Pratchett, 2006
- Matched**
Allyson Condie, 2010
- The Outsiders**
S.E. Hinton, 1967
- The Princess Bride**
William Goldman, 1973
- Six of Crows**
Leigh Bardugo, 2015
- Sorrow's Knot**
Erin Bow, 2013
- Three Dark Crowns**
Kendare Blake, 2016
- Throne of Glass**
Sarah J. Maas, 2012
- Wintersong**
S. Jae-Jones, 2016

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